



Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD)

DDD's New Vision for Support Across the Life Course



Vision for 2013 & Beyond: Support Across the Life Course

- ❑ Recent Changes/Developments
 - ❑ Children's Services – Realignment
 - ❑ Comprehensive Medicaid Waiver (CMW)
- ❑ A New Service Delivery System for Adults
 - ❑ Transition (Ages 16 – 21)
 - ❑ Supports Program
 - ❑ Community Care Waiver
 - ❑ Aging Adults



Children's Services

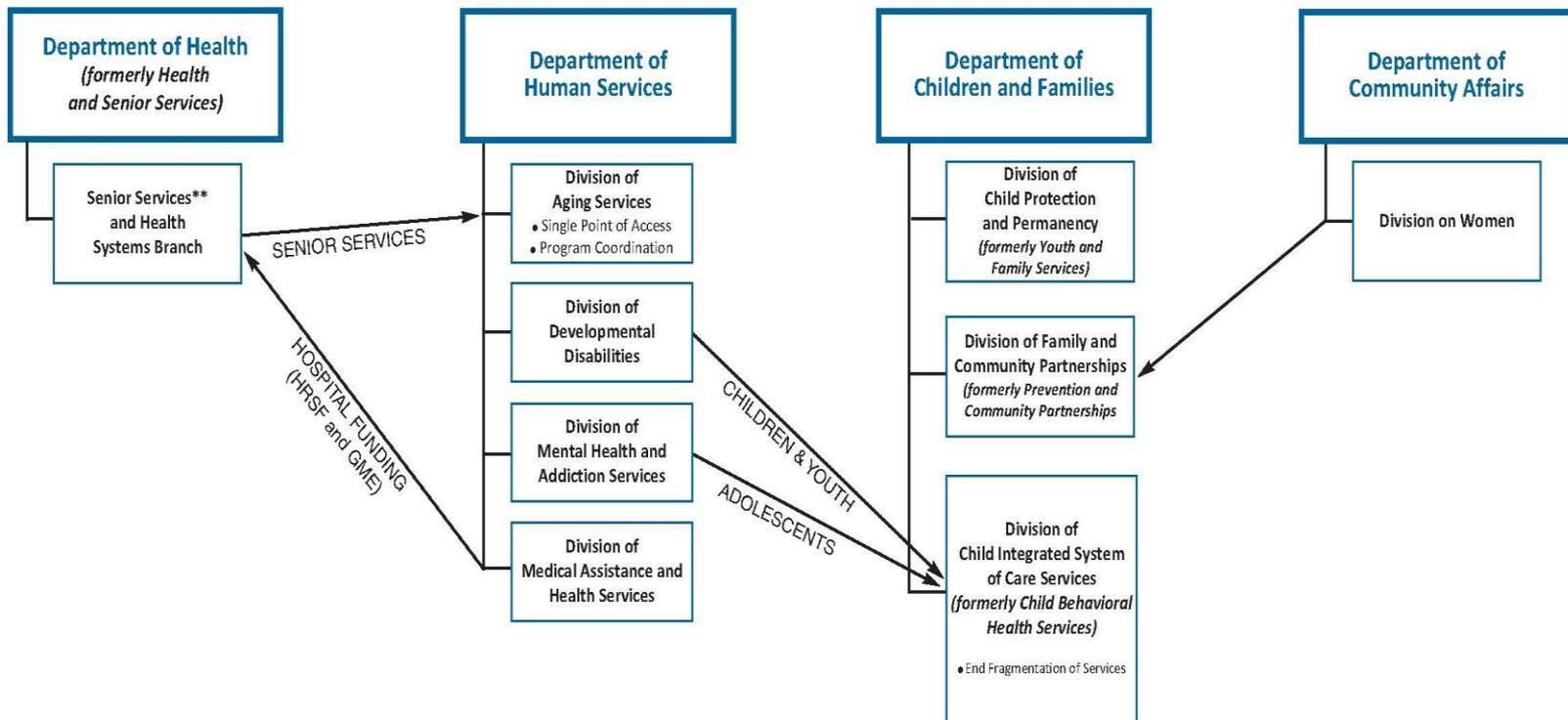
FY13 State Budget Realignment:

- ❑ Children with developmental disabilities will be served by the Department of Children & Families (DCF) until age 21



FY13 State Budget – Realignment

SFY 2013 Proposed Realigning, Streamlining and Restructuring Services for Seniors and Children*





Children's Services

Services are being transitioned over to DCF in two phases:

- ❑ July 1, 2012 – Children requiring residential or intensive in-home services
- ❑ January 1, 2013 – Family support services



Comprehensive Medicaid Waiver

- ❑ Approved by CMS on **October 1, 2012**
- ❑ Statewide reform of New Jersey's Medicaid system – strategic plan for change
- ❑ Focus on community-based services v. institutional services
- ❑ Allows New Jersey to draw down increased federal matching funds for services for individuals with developmental disabilities



Transition (16 – 21)

- ❑ Beginning at age 16, DDD will provide transitional planning:
 - ❑ Series of training modules & resources
 - ❑ Help with visioning for the future
- ❑ Eligibility for DDD adult services at age 18
 - ❑ Eligibility tied to **Medicaid**
 - ❑ Services will be delivered by DCF until 21



Transition (16 – 21)

- ❑ Focus on **“Employment First”**
 - ❑ Creates an expectation that people with disabilities, like everyone else, will have to “opt out” of employment rather than “opt in”
 - ❑ Presumes that people with disabilities can and should work in their communities
 - ❑ Benefits are the safety net that supplement employment, not the other way around.



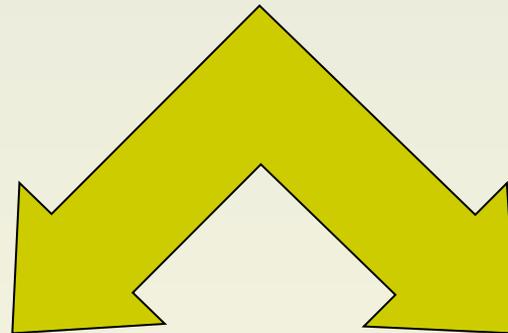
Eligibility for DDD Services

- ❑ 18 years of age
 - ❑ You can apply at 18 but services begin at 21
- ❑ Resident of New Jersey
- ❑ Functional criteria for meeting the definition of having a “developmental disability”
- ❑ Medicaid eligibility (must be continually maintained)



DDD System

Eligible Adults (21+)



**Supports
Program**

CCW



Supports Program - Highlights

- ❑ Provides support for individuals living in their own homes or with their families
- ❑ Individual budget based on assessed level of need:
 - ❑ Employment services and day services to supplement employment
 - ❑ Individual & family support services (\$5,000, \$10,000, \$15,000)



Supports Program - Highlights

- ❑ Eligibility: Must meet all DDD Eligibility Criteria
 - ❑ Adult (21+), **Medicaid eligible**, functional criteria
- ❑ No Waiting List anticipated
- ❑ Cannot be enrolled on the CCW and the Supports Program simultaneously



Supports Program - Services

- ❑ Respite
- ❑ Assistive Technology
- ❑ Vehicle Modifications
- ❑ Environmental Modifications
- ❑ Personal Emergency Response System
- ❑ Natural Supports Training
- ❑ Behavioral Management
- ❑ Occupational Therapy
- ❑ Physical Therapy
- ❑ Speech, Language and Hearing Therapy
- ❑ Interpreter Services
- ❑ Cognitive Rehabilitation Therapy (CRT)
- ❑ Supported Employment – Individual
- ❑ Supported Employment – Small Group
- ❑ Prevocational Services
- ❑ Career Planning
- ❑ Community Based Supports
- ❑ Community Inclusion Services
- ❑ Transportation
- ❑ Goods & Services
- ❑ Day Habilitation
- ❑ Supports Brokerage
- ❑ Support Coordination
- ❑ Financial Management Services (Fiscal Intermediary)



Supports Program - How will individuals access services?

- ❑ Individuals will have a **Support Coordinator** to:
 - ❑ Assist in writing their Individual Service Plan;
 - ❑ Help identify their service needs; and
 - ❑ Link them to the appropriate services.
- ❑ **Waiver Assurance Coordinators** (DDD staff) will approve the plan, authorize the service, and provide quality assurance
- ❑ Individuals who wish to self-direct their services will have access to a **Fiscal Intermediary**



Supports Program - Who will provide the services?

- ❑ In order to provide services in the Supports Program, a provider must:
 - ❑ Meet the qualifications for each service as defined by DDD
 - ❑ Be an approved Medicaid provider (depending on the service)
 - ❑ Non-traditional providers, including self-hires, do not have to be Medicaid providers. They can bill for their services through the FI. However, they still have to meet all DDD qualifications.



Supports Program - Benefits

CURRENT

- ❑ State-Only Funding
- ❑ Limited Service Options
- ❑ Limited Support Budgets
- ❑ Limited Flexibility
- ❑ Slots/Referrals
- ❑ Waiting Lists
- ❑ Multiple Assessments

THE SUPPORTS PROGRAM

- ❑ Federal Match – Medicaid Eligible
- ❑ Expanded Service Options
- ❑ Expanded Support Budgets
- ❑ Increased Flexibility
- ❑ Individual Choice
- ❑ Access to Services
- ❑ Single Assessment



Supports Program - Benefits

CURRENT

- ❑ Multiple Service Plans
- ❑ Inconsistent Policies
- ❑ Multiple Rates
- ❑ Contract Reimbursement

THE SUPPORTS PROGRAM

- ❑ Single Service Plan
- ❑ Consistent Policies
- ❑ Consistent Rates
- ❑ Fee For Service



Supports Program – Getting Started

- ❑ What can individuals and families do now to prepare for the Supports Program?
 - ❑ Become Medicaid eligible.
 - ❑ Familiarize yourself with the services offered in the Supports Program & identify those that would meet your needs.
 - ❑ Talk to any providers you are currently working with about what services they are planning to provide in the Supports Program.
 - ❑ Become familiar with other potential service providers.
 - ❑ Become familiar with the roles of support coordination and fiscal management.



Supports Program - Opportunities for Input

- ❑ Provide input into implementing policies for services & service limits.
- ❑ Provide input into provider qualifications for services and quality assurance.
- ❑ Provide feedback on the draft Individualized Service Plan.
- ❑ Participate in the development of the Supports Program manual.
- ❑ Assist in the development of training and related materials.



Supports Program - Questions

Additional Information can be accessed on
DDD's website at:

<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/programs/supportsprgm.html>

Questions about the Supports Program
can emailed to:

DDD.SuppProgHelpDesk@dhs.state.nj.us



Community Care Waiver (CCW)

- ❑ Individuals whose needs cannot be met on the Supports Program will be served on the CCW
 - ❑ Must meet functional criteria and be Medicaid eligible
 - ❑ Must meet DDD's "emergency" criteria or reach top of CCW Waiting List
- ❑ Residential, in-home supports, and employment & day supports are all available



Community Care Waiver (CCW)

- ❑ Services can be provided in-home or in residential settings
- ❑ Intended to serve individuals with more intensive needs
- ❑ CCW Waiting List – reform needed



Aging Adults

- ❑ Individuals with developmental disabilities who require “specialized services” will continue to access their Supports Program or CCW services as they age.
- ❑ Individuals with developmental disabilities in nursing homes will access their services via MLTSS
 - ❑ Under the CMW, all long-term care services (including HCBS & Nursing Facility) for seniors and individuals with physical disabilities are shifting into managed care.



Support Across the Life Course

QUESTIONS?